GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Water Resource Department – Major Irrigation Projects – Guidelines issued to expedite the progress of works in Major Irrigation Projects – Recommendations of the Technical Expert Committee – Orders – Issued.

WATER RESOURCES (REFORMS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 63 **Dated: 12-06-2015.**

Read the following:-

1) G.O.Ms.No.22, I&CAD (PW:Reforms) Dept., dated.23.02.2015.
2) From the E.N.C. (Irr.), Hyd., Lr.No.ENC(I)/DCE(GDS)/OT1/AEE1/Review of Packages, dated.24.03.2015.
3) Minutes of the meeting dated.22.04.2015.
4) From the E.N.C. (Irr.), Hyd., Lr.No.ENC(I)/DCE(GDS)/OT1/AEE1/Expert Committee, dated.25.04.2015.
5) Govt. Memo No.3810/Reforms/A1/2015-2, dated.11.05.2015.
6) Govt. Memo No.17717/Reforms/A1/2014, dated.28.05.2015.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, Government have issued certain instructions for implementation to expedite the progress of works in Major Irrigation Projects.

2. For speedy completion of the Projects and to review the present progress of works, the Engineer-in-Chief (Irrigation) in consultation with the field Engineers has submitted proposals for implementation methodology with regard to the procedure for price adjustment, payment of current bills etc., along with the recommendations of the Expert Committee vide references 2nd and 4th read above. Following which, detailed implementation methodology was issued vide reference 6th read above for smooth implementation of instructions issued vide G.O.Ms.No.22, I&CAD (Reforms) Department, dt.23.02.2015.

3. Further, on the recommendations of the expert committee and Engineer-in-Chief(Irrigation) and in accordance with the minutes of the meeting dated.22.04.2015, Government after careful examination, hereby accepts the recommendations of the expert committee and issue orders in partial modification of the orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.22, dt.23.02.2015 as follows:-

I. Further 5% of balance work as mobilization advance can be considered for payment subject to:

i) Supplementary agreement has been concluded to this effect.

ii) Rate of interest on additional mobilization advance shall be as per the Govt. borrowing rate as notified by Finance Dept., from time to time.

iii) Recovery of principal and interest accrued up to date shall not exceed 20% of each RA bill.

iv) Recovery shall commence from the RA Bill following the release of mobilization advance.

v) Bank Guarantee (BG) shall be furnished @ 20% extra over additional mobilization advance sanctioned.

vi) The mobilization advance released shall be utilized for the mobilization purposes for which it is sanctioned.

vii) Any misuse of the advance will be viewed seriously and in such cases, the mobilization advance released will be recovered in one lump by invoking the BG produced as security besides taking stern action as per the agreement conditions, including blacklisting of the Agencies.

viii) Mobilization advance can be released to the extent of 5% of the balance value of work. In case, any recovery relating to the earlier mobilization advances paid is still pending, the additional mobilization advance shall be limited to 5% of balance value of work after deducting the outstanding recovery.

II. Payment for Excess quantities of earthwork in the balance work:

The payment for balance earthwork can be considered for quantities beyond 125% of the quantities stipulated in the IBM for the balance work required for completion. Payment for such additional quantities shall be governed by the agreement rates with tender discounts. This is applicable in only such cases where variation in excess of 25% of the IBM quantities occurs for the balance work. The extra quantity beyond 125% will be paid only at the time of final bill payment after due adjustment in accordance with G.O.Ms.No.22, dt.23.02.2015.

III. Controlled Blasting:

The claims towards excavation work done with controlled blasting will be considered. If the SSR with which the IBM was sanctioned did not provide for controlled blasting, in such a case, payment shall be deduced proportionately taking into account the percentage of excess allowed in the subsequent Schedule of Rates between conventional excavation with ordinary blasting and the excavation with the controlled blasting. In cases where the IBM was prepared with SSR where specific rate was fixed, the same rate shall be followed for the payment. The Tender premium / Discount shall be applied to the final rate payable.

The fact of controlled blasting shall be supported by certified evidence by the concerned revenue official not below the rank of RDO. In case the controlled blasting has been completed, recorded evidence of having executed the work with controlled blasting has to be produced.

For the items where there is no rate in SSR for payment of current bills like 'Excavation in hard rock or quartzite or geological formation not mentioned in the SSR, with normal blasting or with controlled blasting, TBM for tunnelling purpose, observed data and rate will be approved by the Board of Chief Engineers and 75% payment will be arranged in current bills. Final rate will be approved by the Board of CEs and the Government and there by regularising the payments.

IV. Enhanced rates for Distributory network:

Under item No.2 of Guidelines for implementing G.O.Ms.No.22, dt.23.02.2015, enhanced rates were allowed for the distributary network as per the Govt.Memo.No.34843/Reforms/A1/2006, dt.04.01.2010. The enhanced rates for the distributary network is allowed up to 10,000 acres and the canal segment serving ayacut more than 10,000 acres is to be treated as branch canal and allow payment as per actual quantities as per the Govt.Memo.No.34843/Reforms/A1/2006, dt.04.01.2010.

The rates fixed in Govt.Memo.No.34843/Reforms/A1/2006, dt.04.01.2010 are to be allowed without applying tender discount/premium. If any contractor is not willing to take up the work with these rates, distributary network shall be deleted from the scope of the contract and executed separately irrespective of whether the agreement is with tender premium or discount. These rates shall apply for the work executed after 01.04.2013. G.O.Ms.No.22 will stand modified suitably.

V. Payment of current rate for sand:

As Government have taken up the policy of supplying sand through DWACRA groups and the rate of sand and conveyance charges to the site fixed by the Government are substantially high compared to the rate provided in the IBM estimate, the present rate of supply of sand to the site may be paid to Agencies subject to the production of vouchers issued by DWACRA groups. While calculating price adjustment for other materials, the component of sand is to be excluded as price adjustment for sand is provided separately. This provision shall have prospective operational effectiveness from the date of issue of this order.

VI. District Level Sanction Committee

In order to facilitate intermediate payments to the agencies in respect of items of dewatering, controlled blasting, additional Structures in the balance work, a District Level Sanction Committee (DLSC) is constituted. The following officers will constitute the committee.

a. Chief Engineer, Quality Control of the region, Chairman
b. Chief Engineer of the project concerned, Member
c. Joint Director of Works Accounts of the region, Member
d. Superintending Engineer, Member convener.

Concerned agency will be invited to the deliberations of the committee as deemed appropriate.

The committee will look into the following issues and make the recommendations.

i. It will look into the issues relating to the current payments of dewatering, controlled blasting, additional structures in the balance work and make recommendations.

ii. The Engineer-In-Chief / Chief Engineer concerned will issue sanction order for payment of 75% of the amount recommended by the committee.

iii. All payments made based on these orders are treated as part payments, which are subject to the final approval by the committees as per the procedure laid down in para-4 (viii) of G.O.Ms.No.22, I&CAD (Reforms) Dept., dt.23.02.2015.

VII. Payment towards Current Work:

Payment has to be arranged for the entire balance work being done. RA bill payments can be done like item rate payment instead of milestone based with escalations in order to ensure that there is no negative cash flow to the agencies on account of the balance work being done. 75% payments with regard to dewatering, controlled blasting and additional structures will be done after it is cleared by DLSC. This is to ensure that as per the concessions given by the Government in G.O.Ms.No.22, current bill payments do not add up as arrears. For all current payments, agreement rates with tender discount will be followed or specified otherwise through specific Government orders.

The Engineer-in-Chief (Irrigation) / The Chief Engineer shall ensure that no excess payments are done over and above the measures as per G.O.Ms.No.22, dated 23-2-2015 and this order and will be adjusted in the final bill for the work.

4. The Engineer-in-Chief (Irrigation), Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

5. Government in Water Resources Department is authorised to issue clarifications / modifications to the above orders in order to facilitate smooth implementation of these measures.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (W&P) Department vide their U.O.No.8567A/142/WP.II/15, dated 12-6-2015.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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